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STOP

WORK AS BLOW TO MEXICAN CHURCH

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Cumor

By THOMAS J. O'FLAHERTY.

LABOR leaders who make a business of catering to the wishes of employers at the expense of the rank and file of the trade unions may suffer pains in the region of the conscience, but it must be admitted that things being what they are, it is a mighty sensitive conscience that will continue to bother one who commands a salary running into several thousand dollars a year, plus travelling expenses, even for trips to the continent of Europe.

A LOCAL labor sheet is responsible for the news that two of the most accomplished specimens of the tribe baptized by the late Daniel De Leon as "labor lieutenants" of capitalism sailed for England on July 17. They will represent the officialdom of the American Federation of Labor at the next meeting of the British Trade Union Congress which is scheduled to be held on September 7. There are many individuals in the British trade union movement that will feel quite happy in the company of this unsavory pair. J. H. Thomas, Privy Councillor to His Majesty the King, for instance.

If you have difficulty in making ends meet don't blame anybody or anything but yourself. Had you been on the job instead of amusing yourself, you might have watched the stock market during the week and perhaps Mr. Durant of General Motors, would not have all the gravy. That gentleman is reported to have over \$1,500,000 on the rise in motor shares in a few days. Who said there is no opportunity left for an ambitious person to make good?

MR. DURANT's activities on the stock exchange, which added one million and a half to his bank account did not add one hundredth part of a penny to the value of the several automobile companies merged in his corporation. But the wage slaves who turn out the machines and create the values on which Durant and his fellow gamblers bathe, could not save as much money as Durant won in one week. If they lived to be as old as Methuselah, isn't this the best of all possible systems?

THERE are riots in Korea, a country held by Japan against the wishes of the population. Pacifists who expect capitalist powers to disarm are naive in the extreme. How could Japan hold Korea without a large army? How could Great Britain hold India, and Egypt and her other colonies and slave states? America is tolerated in the Philippines and France in Morocco and Syria because of their military and naval power. And those powers will never relinquish their grip on profit-producing colonies until those that are held in slavery kick them out. This is one instance where the sword or the bayonet is mightier than the pen.

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The amount spent by Smith in securing the G. O. P. nomination is now known to be \$475,000.

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HALF MILLION SPENT TO GET TOGA FOR SMITH

Commerce Commission Head Utilities Favorite

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

The financial thermometer almost registered one million plus dollars, used to corrupt the by no means incorruptible great American voter of Illinois in the recent primaries when the senate committee investigating booted, illegitimately, distributed adjourned at the close of yesterday morning's session, to meet again on next Tuesday.

After Allen F. Moore, Frank L. Smith's manager stepped off the witness stand, tabulators placed the total sum spent in the primaries, uncovered to date, at \$955,032. Of this the winning candidate used about half a million.

He Came Clean.

This was Moore's second appearance on the stand. He had previously refused to divulge the names of two mysterious donors who had jointly contributed \$50,000 to Smith's campaign chest. He did not wish to embarrass the gentlemen. It developed that there were good political reasons for the secrecy.

One large contribution, \$25,000, was from Congressman Ira C. Copley of Aurora, Illinois, millionaire head of several public utility corporations and another of \$20,000 from Clement Studebaker, head of the automobile concern of that name.

The Utility Darling.

Moore told the committee that he consulted Smith about revealing the names of all contributors and the latter advised him to use his own judgment. Which he did.

This makes a total of \$152,000 that Smith has received from contributors interested in public utilities. Smith is chairman of the Illinois commerce commission.

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WHAT THE SLUSH FUND INVESTIGATION HAS REVEALED TO DATE

What the slush fund investigation into corruption during the Illinois primaries has accomplished so far, can be summed up as follows:

1. That the gigantic sum of \$1,000,000 was spent by Senators McKinley and Frank L. Smith, for the G. O. P. nomination.

2. That McKinley, public utilities magnate spent almost half a million out of his own pocket in his futile effort to win the nomination.

That Samuel Insull, multi-millionaire utility baron, contributed almost \$200,000 to the campaign funds of McKinley and Smith, republicans, and George E. Brennan, democrat.

4. That a working alliance exists in Cook county between the Barrett-Crowe faction of the republican party and the democrat party under Brennan.

5. That a republican leader in Western Illinois paid \$6,000 to an influential leader of foreign-born citizens in return for the endorsement of Frank L. Smith.

6. That Palmer Anderson, United States marshal for Chicago, engaged the McQueeny detective agency to supply him with special deputy marshals for use at the polls on primary day at the request of the Deneen group.

SUPPORT CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF ALL-UNION COMMUNIST PARTY

STATEMENT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

THE Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party, having considered the decisions of the plenum of the Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party, makes the following declaration:

The Fourteenth Congress of our brother party, the All-Union Communist Party, considered the problems of Communist reconstruction of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics with a Leninist spirit and with Leninist thoroughness and decided on a correct policy for the development of a socialist economic system in the Soviet Union. The opposition, overwhelmingly defeated at this congress, merely voiced an unwholesome pessimism arising out of its loss of confidence in the revolutionary perseverance, tenacity and optimism of the industrial proletariat. This pessimism was expressed in un-Leninist and leftist phrases culminating in prophecies of the "dire fate of the revolution."

THE parties organized in the Communist International, and our American Party among them, had hoped that in spite of its mistakes, the opposition, and its leader, Comrade Zinoviev, would at least preserve the indispensable Bolshevik discipline and accept the judgment of the party, and apply itself to the task of executing the decisions of the fourteenth congress of the All-Union Communist Party.

This hope was not well founded. The opposition proceeded to organize against the Central Committee and against the decisions of the fourteenth congress. The organization of a faction within a Communist Party, at all times a dangerous act, becomes treasonable in a country where the Communist Party has led the proletariat to power and where dissension in the party becomes the center of hope for all enemies of the proletariat.

To preserve the unity of the All-Union Communist Party and to secure the unhampered execution of the policies of the party, the Central Committee thru its plenary session, was forced to take strong disciplinary measures. The removal of Comrade Zinoviev from the Polbureau and the exclusion of the candidate member, Comrade Lashevitch from the Central Committee, decided upon the plenum of the Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party, was fully justified by their breaches of discipline.

These measures were necessary to secure and cement the unity and revolutionary efficiency of our brother party, and to prevent the spreading of un-Leninist theories within the party; the measures taken will strengthen the Central Committee in its struggle against the liquidation of Leninism by Trotskyism thru the oppositional alliance between Zinoviev and Trotsky; and, finally, they will strengthen the All-Union Communist Party in its Leninist leadership of the Communist International. The rapid disintegration of capitalism in Europe confronts our International with tremendous tasks. The unity and Leninist purity of the Communist International is the only guarantee for the proletariat, that these tasks will be met and victory will be achieved. Flirtation by the opposition within the All-Union Communist Party with left and right deviations alike, such as Urbahns in Germany, Souvarine in France, at best an unprincipled step suggested by factional aims, became under these conditions an act endangering the very revolution itself. The measures taken by the plenum of the Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party against the opposition are therefore a step saving as much the unity and Leninist integrity of the Communist International as the unity and Leninist integrity of our brother party, the All-Union Communist Party.

The Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party greets the Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party in full solidarity with its measures against an opposition which threatened by its activities not only the unity but also the revolutionary achievements of the advance guard of the Russian and world proletariat.

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY,
C. E. RUTHENBERG, General Secretary.

BUKHARIN WINS UNANIMOUS VOTE OF LENINGRAD COMMUNISTS FOR THE PARTY'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE

(Special Cable to The Daily Worker)

By JOHN PEPPER

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., July 30.—In reporting to the Leningrad organization of the All-Union Communist Party on the subject of the resolutions adopted by the recent meeting of the plenum of the Central Committee of the party, Nicolai Bukharin emphasized the lack of foundation of the assertions of the opposition that industry in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics is falling behind the development of agriculture and that private capital

in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics represents a "menace to the building of socialism."

Bukharin proves, on the basis of the growth of labor wages of the workers in the general national income, that industry is overtaking agriculture. The gross income of private capital is estimated at approximately four

hundred million roubles (\$200,000,000) of which more than three hundred and twenty million roubles (\$160,000,000) is spent by private capital for its necessities. Pointing out the entire lack of foundation of the demands of

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CAL'S THREAT ROUSES ANGER OF FRENCHMEN

Poincare Taxes Poor; Raises Deputies' Pay

BULLETIN

PARIS, July 30.—Adoption of Premier Poincare's financial project was practically assured this afternoon when the chamber, by a vote of 350 to 201, decided not to allow any deputy to submit an amendment to the project. Discussion of the project will begin in the chamber tomorrow morning.

PARIS, July 30.—Coincident with the fall of the franc to 42 to the dollar, the French newspapers are again opening attack on the financial imperialism of the United States.

Much indignation is expressed at the bumptiousness of President Coolidge in demanding that France must "dennounce the attitude of certain of her citizens who oppose the Mellon-Berenger debt agreement and immediately ratify the debt accord or the senate will refuse to revise it except on more stringent terms."

Resent Impudence.

This is regarded as an unprecedented lecturing of the French nation by a foreign dignitary, comparable only to the Kaiser in his days of power.

L'Avenir prints the statements of Walter Berry, who is president of the American chamber of commerce in France, in which it is said, "It is not by threatening to impose more rigorous conditions that France's legitimate scruples can be overcome."

More Inflation.

The weekly statement of the Bank of France reveals that more inflation has been resort to, with 1,000,000,000 more paper francs placed in circulation during the week, making the total of paper money in circulation fifty-six billion and twenty-one million francs or \$1,340,000,000.

The finance committee of the chamber of deputies after a difficult session of two days, has finally approved the financial program of Poincare, but against much opposition. The vote stood 19 for and 13 against with one abstention. The Communists and socialists voted against.

Lay Tax Load on Poor.

The program is to be submitted with a favorable recommendation to the chamber on Saturday. But its passage promises to be the cause of bitter struggle which may later come to a movement among the people, as it takes off much of the income tax from the rich and lays heavier burdens on the poor.

A storm is likely to brew out not only among the workers of the cities, whose necessities of life are greatly increased, but also among the great mass of French peasantry, whose resentment to government taxes is traditional and colored with blood, but who for the first time are to feel the hand of government demanding more taxes on agricultural profits.

Raise Politicians' Salaries.

These are factors of certain trouble, taken together with the fact that in the face of cries for economy from the lips of Poincare himself, he proposes that the salaries of the members of parliament be almost doubled by a raise from 27,000 francs to 45,000 francs, or from \$675 to \$1,125.

Severe Thunderstorm.

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., July 30.—One man was killed, the St. Matthews Lutheran church was destroyed by fire, and scores of persons received minor injuries in a severe electrica storm at Granite Falls, N. C.

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Fight Catholic Boycott With Traffic Tie-up

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, July 30.—The power of organized labor will be felt in Mexico tomorrow when a suspension of all traffic from sunrise until 2 p. m. in the afternoon takes place in accordance with a decree issued today by the Mexican Federation of Labor.

The suspension will occur at the same time that 100,000 workers demonstrate their solidarity against the catholic church in Mexico City by parading the streets of the capital and declaring their support of the government in its struggle against the attempt of the catholic church to enforce an economic boycott.

Orders have been issued to the police from the office of the attorney general to disarm all catholics throughout Mexico. This followed rumors of secret night meetings and gatherings of groups thought to be the beginning of organized resistance to the government.

Leave Churches at Midnight.

Today catholic dignitaries and ordinary priests are holding masses at intervals of thirty minutes during the day, and at midnight the churches will be abandoned by the clergy and turned over to lay committees, providing the government does not place municipal committees in charge of them.

Government Ready.

The government in the meantime is holding its hand. No action will be taken with regard to the pastoral letter issued by the bishopry and it has not been made clear whether the government intends to take over the churches. The government, however, is preparing to meet any attempt at resistance. The regulations prohibiting the carrying of arms is being strictly enforced. Prominent catholics, it is understood, are being watched by government agents.

Revolt in Guerero.

A report is current that the central government has ordered federal troops to proceed to the state of Guerero where three military generals have revolted. Their agitation is directly due, it is said, to the religious controversy.

Committees of Rich.

Committees are being formed around every church to care for the priests when they abandon their charges. It is significant that these committees are composed exclusively of wealthy people, mostly land owners who have pledged money during the crisis.

Picket Threatened.

Three men who threatened the life of a clothing cutter picket at the Fruehauf Bros. & Co. shop are under arrest. Louis Elsnohn, member of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, charges that the men stopped him and one drew a revolver saying: "If you

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THE BRITISH COAL STRIKERS SEND DELEGATION TO TOUR UNITED STATES

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, July 30.—A delegation from the Miners' Federation of Great Britain will sail Saturday to the United States to appeal to the American trade unions for funds and support of the fight of the British miners against lower wages and the longer work day. The announcement is made by A. J. Cook, secretary of the federation.

The delegation, which will arrive on the Berengaria, will tour the whole of the United States under the auspices and as the guests of the United Mine Workers of America and the American Federation of Labor.

The executive committee of the British miners' union, in preparation for the conference of delegates yesterday met and considered the reports from all the mining districts of the country. It was shown that there is a uniform determination to continue the struggle against the government's attempt to break the strike by its passage of the longer work day law. The miners being resolute on this in spite of their suffering from the long struggle since May 1.

With this in mind, the executive committee passed a resolution recommending to the delegate conference

WITH THE STAFF

Being Things From Here and There Which Have Inspired Us to Folly or Frenzy

THE BUCOLIC BIBLE.

LOS ANGELES.—Deputy District Attorney Ryan disclosed evidence that Almes Sample McPherson and Kenneth Ormsbee occupied a cotton bale—by-the-sea—ten days, leaving behind a hurried departure much incriminating evidence, including a bible.—News item.

I'm a lonesome little bible now;
Nobody looks at me
Since my readers flew the coop and
left
The cottage by the sea.

Kenneth read of Lot's fair daughters

And the wife of Potiphar,
Who so interested holy men

They came from near and far.

Though I have no funny pictures

They appreciated me,

When I told them naughty stories

In the cottage by the sea.

What's attractive in Hearst picture sheets

I never yet could see;

Neither why I'm left so lonely in

The cottage by the sea.

SCRIPTURES SIMPLIFIED FOR SIMPERING SADIE

CHAPTER VIII.

(Being the story of Jesus as a lad's man, as told in the gospel of Saint Bruce).

Men followed him, and the leaders of men have very often been physically strong. But women worshipped him. This is significant.

The names of women constitute a very large proportion of the list of his close friends. There were Mary and Martha, two gentle maiden ladies who lived outside Jerusalem; there was Joanna, a rich woman, the wife of one of Herod's stewards. Good women.

The other sort of women came into contact with him, too—women of less fortunate experience and reputation—whose illusions regarding men were gone, whose eyes saw piercingly.

The men who have been women's men in the finest sense, have been the vital, conquering figures of history.

Magazine Romance

Across panes grayness spread. Birds in tree-tops grew restless. Far away a valiant rooster challenged—an insolent youth, bugling the faint-hearted to a revival of courage. Marvelously the east responded.—From Good Housekeeping, which neglected to add that about that time the alarm clock also responded.

Now You Tell One

DOUBLE DOSE

"I supported Colonel Smith as a matter of principle." — Robert E. Crouse.

"It's refreshing to find a man with such sentiments." — Senator Reed.

SMITH AGENT PAID \$6,000 FOR ILLINOIS FOREIGN-BORN VOTE SLUSH FUND WITNESS TESTIFIES

The first trace of corruption in the \$1,000,000 Illinois senatorial primary was unearthed by the senate slush fund committee when Timothy P. McCarthy, an East St. Louis newspaperman, charged the endorsement of Frank L. Smith for the republican senatorial nomination by the Foreign Voters' League of Illinois was "bought" for a \$6,000 consideration.

Sold Foreign-Born Vote.

The deal was arranged, McCarthy testified under oath, by Charles Sendry, head of the Foreign Voters' League and John J. Faulkner, Smith's campaign manager in southwestern Illinois, at a banquet in East St. Louis, a few days before the primary.

McCarthy charged Sendry offered to sell the league's endorsement for the \$6,000 and that the next day, Sendry gave out the league's endorsement of Smith.

Introduced Sendry.

McCarthy, a political writer on the East St. Louis News-Review and the St. Louis Times, said he took Sendry to the banquet to meet Faulkner at the request of a friend named Andrew Hunt. The banquet was held in Groves Hall in East St. Louis, he added.

"I met a man there, who was introduced to me as Faulkner and two attorneys, one named Ames from Chicago," McCarthy testified. "Faulkner and Ames talked with us about getting the Foreign Voters' League to endorse Smith as the republican candidate for the senate."

"Sendry told him that it could be arranged for a consideration."

"What was that consideration?" Senator Reed, democrat of Missouri, chairman, inquired.

"\$6,000," McCarthy replied. "Sendry claimed he controlled 125,000 votes in Illinois. He then held a secret conference with the Chicago attorney, and another man. They stepped out to a side room and when they came back, the banquet broke up.

The following day, Sendry came to my office in East St. Louis, and told me he had a story to give. I turned him over to a reporter and it was an endorsement of Smith as the senatorial candidate. Our paper and another East St. Louis paper carried

FUR BOSSSES HIRE GANGSTERS TO SLUG STRIKERS

The Chicago Fur Manufacturer's is

letter to its members inform them that a squad of gangsters hired by the association to harass pickets and organizers of Local 45 Chicago Fur Workers Union is at their disposal at all times.

The bosses are told that at the slightest indication of "trouble" at their shops they should immediately get in touch with the association's slugs and they will receive immediate aid.

Place Squad in Operation.

A copy of the letter follows:

"Dear Member:

"The Manufacturers' Association in conjunction with the Employers' Association have placed in operation a squad car, which has been patrolling the market for the past week.

"The purpose of this squad car is to make investigations in the market and to afford you immediate protection from any violence. However, some of the members have mistaken the men in our squad for the wrecking crew of the union, and hesitate to permit them to enter their shops.

"Our squad are provided with credentials and identification which you will easily recognize, so in event that they approach you, insist upon seeing their credentials and then give them the information they may be seeking."

"Be very careful, however, that you do not permit any group of men to come into your shop until you know who they are, because as soon as this announcement has been sent out to you, the union may attempt to impersonate our squad to get into your shop.

Ready To Beat Pickets.

"In the event of the slightest trouble in or around your shop from pickets, union slugs, or other strange people, immediately phone Randolph 2300, the Employers' Association, and you shall receive immediate aid.

"In face of the union's claims that the majority of our association shops have signed up, we wish to flatly state that we have had a large increase in membership since our last meeting, and hundreds of independent union shops are striking with us in a body.

"The union is already wavering which is but one of the many signs of victory for the fair working principles we have set out to attain.

"You will be notified of a meeting in the near future.

"Yours for a 44-hour week,

"Chicago Fur Manufacturers' Association, Robert Staedter, President."

Fire Destroys Beach Resort.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 29.—

The Ocean View Hotel, a moving picture house and a block of boardwalk concessions were destroyed by fire or

unknown origin at Pablo Beach, bathing resort about 25 miles from here.

Damage will total approximately \$300,000.

Help the Class War Prisoners!

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on to Moore after he told the auto magnate, whom he met at the banquet, that the treasury was rather low. How those lads can dispose of cash!

A feature of last Thursday's afternoon session was the appearance of Palmer Anderson, United States marshal for this district. Anderson supported McKinley in the primaries.

The Deneen group, that had charge of McKinley's campaign in Cook county, asked the marshal to supply a sufficient number of deputy marshals to guard the polls on primary day owing to the activities of gamblers and vote robbers. The marshal referred the request to Attorney General Sargent, who advised "no action" as the department had no authority to authorize the appointments. A second telegram from the marshal authorized the appointment of 500 special deputies, at the rate of \$5 each on primary day.

Had to Divide Up.

Sendry went into detail first about how he had to distribute the money among leaders of the different nationalities. He named seven nationalities, including Bohemians, Polish, Bulgarians, Slavish and some others.

"Was that money to go to the organization or to the leaders?"

"To the leaders."

"Did Sendry tell you he got the money?"

"No, but he showed me \$2,800 the next morning in cash."

"Where was that?"

"At my office."

Sendry Was Cynical.

"What did he say when he showed you the money?"

"He smiled and said: 'We endorsed Smith, Irwin and Duvall.'"

"How did he carry the money?"

"He had it wrapped in a copy of our newspaper with a rubber band around it."

"Was this meeting in a soft drink place?" Reed inquired.

"No," McCarthy replied. He drew another laugh by adding:

"Frankly, they served the ice and you had to bring the rest."

Recruited From Detective Agency.

The marshal lost no time. He got in touch with the McQueeney Detective Agency, called an investigating agency, and secured the protectors of the sacred ballot from that worthy source.

But no sooner were the deputies sworn in and \$400 expended for deputy stars than Sargent reversed himself, leaving the marshal holding the bills. McKinley was no piker, however. His managers, Green and Roy West came across to the tune of over \$1,000.

"So you are not out of pocket" remarked Reed icily.

"No" replied the marshal.

Has a Thirsty Look.

How long the investigation will last or how thor it will be is not yet determined, or if so, is not public knowledge.

There are rumors that the anti-saloon league will be drawn into the probe. The league endorsed both McKinley and Smith, the Smith does not look like a dry. He hails from Dwight where the famous Keeley Institute is located. A completely dry state would hurt the town's business considerably.

But perhaps bootleg whiskey brings better results than the old pre-war stuff.

The investigation has not yet touched the use of gunmen on election days. It is doubtful if it wants to.

Bukharin Wins the Unanimous Vote of the Leningrad Communists

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the opposition for the raising of prices of the products of industry. Bukharin emphasizes that the basic problem lies, not in the increase of prices, but in the decrease of prices on the basis of a rationalization of economy.

Bukharin points out that the increased trust of the middle and poor peasants in the Soviet government and the Communist Party is the result of the invigoration of the Soviets, the reduction of taxes, the assurance of revolutionary legality, etc.

The activity of the city and rural bourgeoisie is growing; the party is, however, undertaking in good time the necessary measures. The most essential fact is that the socialist elements of economy are growing and becoming stronger at a much more rapid rate than are the private capitalistic elements of economy.

The slogan of the opposition brings into question the party organization—the freedom of fractions. The opposition has practically joined together all of the anti-party groups that were condemned by the party in recent years.

Under cover of left phrases the leaders of the opposition in reality step upon the same platform with the right semi-menshevik elements striving for the liquidation of the Comintern, to open wide the doors of the Soviet Union to foreign capital and to establish an "S. R." parliamentary democracy in place of the proletarian dictatorship.

On questions of the international labor movement the opposition, rejecting the estimation of the present world economic-political situation as a phase of the temporary stabilization of capitalism, practically revises the tactics of the united front in suggesting the withdrawal of the delegation of the trade unions of the Soviet Union from the Anglo-Russian committee.

The ideological sources of the opposition are: doubt of the possibility of building socialism in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, and distrust of the forces of the working class. The leaders of the opposition do not notice that they are generals without an army.

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JAPAN SWEETLY TOLERANT WITH ASIATIC PARLEY

Chinese Claim Japan Can Afford It

(Special to The Daily Worker)

TOKIO, July 30.—The antics of the Japanese imperialists are both amusing and informative. Thru their delegates to the International Labor Office they got that body to call a pan-Asiatic congress at Nagasaki, Japan, on August 1. The British got their lackey Indian delegate to join in the motion.

The Chinese nationalists have recently denounced the congress as a maneuver of imperialism, chiefly that of Japan, to create a new organ to oppose the liberation movement of exploited colonial and subject peoples. Will "Tolerate" Themselves.

The Japanese are now trying to offset this broadside by an artful propaganda. Newspaper men gathering for the congress are told that Japan, usually so vigilant in suppressing all movements expressing "dangerous thoughts," will "tolerate" the congress.

Again it is said that, "The police do not suspect the motives of the conference." Indeed, they should not, as besides the fifty Japanese delegates from capitalist political parties, and educational and social circles, there are a great number of the most prominent imperialist spokesmen attending as "counselors" who are said qualified to give "wise and conservative advice." Among these are some Japanese generals, admirals and barons.

The Chinese opposition is said by these gentleman to be "silly."

Japanese Flood Takes Toll of Hundred Lives

TOKIO, July 30.—More than a hundred persons were drowned at Tochio, Niigata prefecture, according to dispatches received here today. Many others are missing and the casualties are expected to mount when a complete check has been made.

Raging waters submerged more than a hundred houses, a mile of railway line has been washed out and the city is completely cut off from communication with the outside world. Marooned citizens are megaphoning across the river for assistance.

Neighboring villages have been flooded by swollen mountain streams and additional casualties are probable, according to word received here.

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EXPLOSION OF GAS TANK IN AUTO PLANT KILLS 3 WORKERS; 5 ARE MISSING

TORONTO, Ont., July 30.—Three persons are dead and five are missing as the result of the explosion of a gasoline tank at the plant of the General Motors Corporation here today. A portion of the plant was destroyed by the blast. Searchers are probing the ruins for more bodies.

FRENCH EXPORTS TO U. S. GROWING AS FRANC FALLS

Iron and Steel Nearly Doubles Volume

PARIS, July 30.—American business men trying to sell American goods on a dollar basis are facing severe losses. Six American offices have cut down their staffs, and a dozen more are thinking of it if the franc continues to fall.

But though the American trade with France is bad, French commerce with America is decidedly benefited. French iron and steel firms have increased their exports to the United States nearly 75 per cent during the last three months, and so extensive have become one firm's business that a large warehouse has been opened in the New York district.

French Metals in U. S.

French iron and steel is finding a good market in Seattle, San Francisco, Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia and other cities. In the case of cast iron, the French undersell American firms in the American market by a \$12 a ton margin. Last year the total exports of iron and steel to America was valued at 18,700,000 francs. This year it will reach nearly 30,000,000, and more if the franc declines. General exports to America will show an increase of at least a billion francs.

American firms doing business in France are now inserting a clause in contracts providing for gold payments.

Poincare and Herriot Unite Against the Left

After getting a vote of confidence against interpellations, Poincare proposed his financial program, which briefly stated is:

Poincare's Program.

1. An increase of governmental decree on the tax on such articles as tobacco and matches.

2. A slight increase in taxation on light drinks.

3. A 30 per cent increase on state railroad fares.

4. An increase in the automobile tax at the rate of 360 francs increase per horsepower.

5. Rates of naval port transpor-

tation will be doubled.

6. A general tax of 2 per cent for business turnovers.

7. An export tax of 1.30 per cent, instead of the former sliding scale of taxation, and also a 12 per cent tax on export of luxury articles.

8. Revision of import duties.

9. A 50 per cent increase of taxation on dividends.

10. An extraordinary tax of 7 per cent on sales.

11. A sliding scale will be used in determining inheritance taxes, which will range from 25 to 40 per cent.

12. A 50 per cent increase on business profits up to 50,000 francs and above that a 15 per cent tax.

13. Agricultural profits taxes will be doubled.

14. A 12 per cent tax, instead of 7 per cent, will be made on salaries above 40,000 francs.

The income tax will be reduced from 60 per cent to 30 per cent.

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"Locarno Spirit" Troubled.

PARIS, July 30.—While it is said that, of course, Poincare does not intend to be impolite, it is also clear that the famous "spirit of Locarno" has its limits with Raymond Poincare. He is, for example, completely opposed to the evacuation of the Rhineland, and a stout upholder of the revenge policy of the Versailles treaty.

In addition, Poincare presses new trouble for the league of nations, which has plenty as it is. The question of council seats will find Poincare opposed to admitting Germany without admitting some other France can control. Germany demands to be admitted alone. Poland and Spain threaten to withdraw. The "Locarno spirit" is in trouble.

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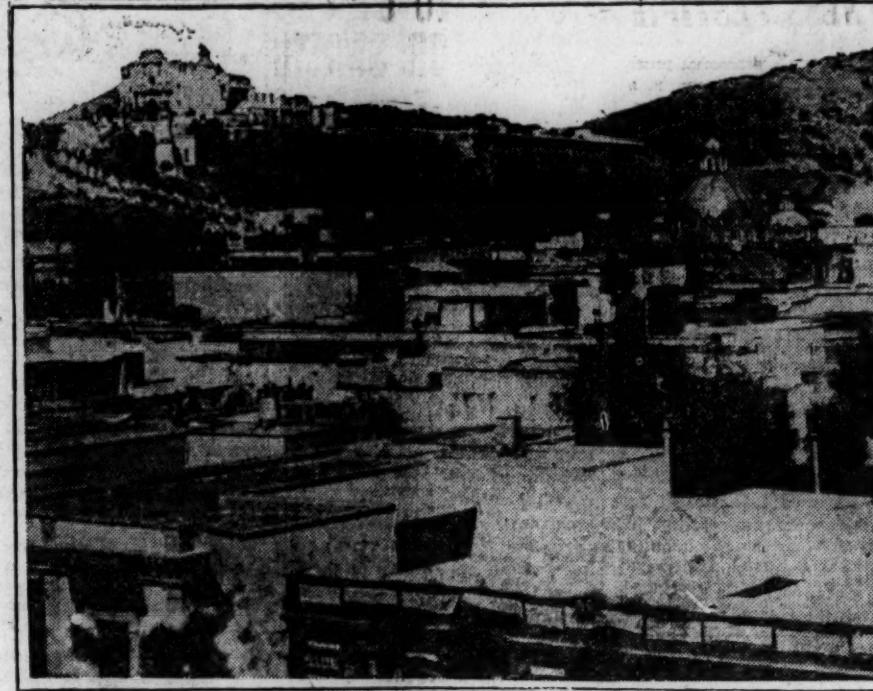
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Clergy Plays on Superstitions of Masses to Regain Its Former Position of Political Power in Mexico



Here is a view of the famous basilica at Guadalupe near Mexico City which has been made a national shrine by the catholic church. The church is seen on the hill top and Mexico's faithful were exhorted to make a pilgrimage to the shrine of the virgin as a protest against the government's regulations governing education in Mexico. The labor movement has taken up the struggle and is combatting the superstitious grip of the church on the masses built up by centuries of priest rule.

SEVERE CRISIS ROCKS ITALIAN FASCIST STATE

Deep Going Financial Difficulty Rife

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, July 23 (By Mail).—The diplomatic correspondent of the London Daily Herald sums up the present situation in Italy as follows:

"The French financial crisis has caught the public eye, because of its theatrical qualities. But the Italian economic crisis is at bottom a far more serious one. For in Italy it is not only the government's finance, but the whole economic system which is in a bad way.

Stop Boasting.

"The loud boastings about the prosperity which fascism has conferred on the country have died away. The great Neronian schemes for rebuilding Rome in marble have been quietly pineholed.

"Even Mussolini's sabre has ceased to rattle. Fascism is no longer truculent; it is anxious, with an anxiety already bordering on panic.

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The Duce Scared.

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"Did the furniture come?" asked Dad; and Ruth answered that it had, and everything was in order, they'd have had supper ready, if they'd been sure that Mr. Ross would arrive; they'd get it ready right off. Meantime Paul was helping Bunny carry in the bags, and oh, gee—there was the loveliest little bungalow above her head, was Ruth; and alongside her was a man—she distance Bunny thought it was old Mr. Watkins, but then she saw it was a young man, and Bunny's heart went up into his mouth. He looked at this big, powerful figure, clad in a blue shirt and khaki trousers held up by suspenders, and with a mop of yellowish tousled hair. Could it be—yes, Bunny could never mistake that sombre face, with prominent big nose and mouth-drawn down at the corners; he whispered, excitedly, "It's Paul!"

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Last year he succeeded in planting on the Polish embassy in Berlin documents "proving" that a disastrous railway accident in the Danzig corridor was the work of Communist plotters. But suspicions were aroused. The German police was informed Drushelovsky's house was raided.

In it was found the whole apparatus he had used—false dies, imitation letterheads, rubber stamps, and the rest of it.

Documents For Sale.

There were documents ready for the market, documents half prepared, documents still in draft, documents adapted for sale in the Balkans, in England, in America.

Drushelovsky was not brought to trial: the Berlin police president decided that there was nothing illegal in what he had done; and after a month in prison he was released, presumably to continue his activities.

Object in Russia Unknown.

With what object, and in whose service, he was attempting to slip over the frontier into Russia are matters on which his trial may throw some light.

Mine Workers Caught in Explosion of Gas

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., July 30.—A 28-year-old mine tracklayer, Harold Nyren, is dead and another tracklayer, Anthony Popolovich, 31, is critically injured as a result of a gas explosion at Dorrance colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Four other workers hurt by the explosion are in a serious condition. The explosion occurred in the Ross vein, about 1,000 feet below ground.

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Will Stand by Strikers.

We have all had correspondence from the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor calling the Passaic strike an outlaw strike. I want to say this—and you may be surprised to hear me say it—that I cannot pay any attention to such a declaration.

The United Front Committee is made up of struggling toilers revolting against terrible conditions, and as long as there is such a class war going on I mean to stand by the strikers.

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Now It Can Be Said

But for a long editorial in the *Chicago Tribune* of July 30, we might have overlooked the fact that last Thursday was the twelfth anniversary of the world war. The 29th of July is famous because the first shot in colossal struggle was fired on that day, according to war historians.

The *Tribune* waxes eloquent and speaks frankly about the efforts made by the rival belligerents to line up the United States on one side or the other. But in those days the *Tribune* did not speak so frankly. Certainly, not after Wilson, who was elected to "keep us out of war," conspired successfully to get us into the war. Thousands of American workers paid the price for their frankness and honesty with jail terms, while the *Tribune*, that can now afford

to be cynical, ranted and raved like a mad cur and recommended the firing squad for those who would doubt the sincerity or cast reflection on the purity of motive of our "associates" in the great butchery.

But listen to this hypocritical sheet editorialize on the hokum that the American people were subjected to by the propagandists of the warring powers:

"Some of the promotion was skillful and some was clumsy. The most adroit was the British. The most blundering was the German... Absurdities took on the stamp of verity. We even accepted Russia of the czars as 'one of the great liberal powers of Europe,' a champion of the cause of democracy."

This will be read with relish by the conservative German readers of the *Tribune*. They will say "Hoch!" and give three cheers for the *Tribune*, the same paper that joined the anvil chorus of "Hun-killers" from 1917 to a safe period after the armistice.

The masses have short memories, fortunately for the ruling classes. They allow Mooney, Billings, the I. W. W. prisoners, Sacco, Vanzetti and scores of other workers to rot in jail while the grafters and corruptionists who incarcerated them are quarreling over the loot from the public like hungry cannibals fighting over the carcass of a fat bishop.

They are prone to forget what the world war was about, who brought it on, who did the fighting, and who were the gainers. Perhaps they do not even think of the thousands of crippled "heroes" who are doomed to a life of torture and loneliness in the federal hospitals throughout the country. Perhaps they do not ask themselves why the Kaiser, "the Beast of Berlin," is now living comfortably in Holland while the masses of German workers they were sent over to save are sweating like galley slaves in German factories in order to turn millions of dollars into the coffers of Pierpont Morgan who

did not go any nearer to the firing line than the Kaiser, Woodrow Wilson or King George.

The best we can do is to keep on reminding them of those unpleasant things. We will keep on doing that even when the *Tribune* and the other venal capitalist sheets are lying like gentlemen, when the bugle calls for the next war, to save democracy, civilization or virtue, burst upon our ears.

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They Know Him Not

The *Milwaukee Leader* is as angry as an unrecognized poet with a clean neck, because the republican politicians of Wisconsin have stolen their Jesus from them. This particular Jesus is LaFollette, the late. The worst of it, says the *Leader*, is that those who claim him so falsely are not worthy of him.

The *Leader* is a socialist paper. Like most socialist papers, it has forsaken socialism and when it is not weeping by the political Jordan, or boasting Wisconsin, it amuses itself by poking fun at the class struggle and making war on revolution or any other word in the dictionary that smacks of a break with capitalism.

When LaFollette hove in sight as the new Messiah of the small business men, and the declaration of independence, the *Leader*, which is Victor Berger, promptly hailed him and hopped up behind him on his wagon and kissed good-bye to the red flag. But alas! "Bob" died, and his son knoweth not his old man's ideals or at least cherishest them not. Which leaves the socialist party of Wisconsin in the position of a Magdalene without a carpenter to anoint her feet.

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MUSCLE SHOALS LAND BOOM IS NIPPED IN BUD

Business Bureau Hits Real Estate Sharks

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, July 30.—In a bulletin issued by the Better Business Bureau it is pointed out that the colorful pictures of high-powered real estate salesmen of a coming metropolis near the Muscle Shoals power site is based on their desire to gather in the savings of workers, domestics, and school teachers and not on reality.

The report points out that instead of the 18,000 to 20,000 men that the salesmen declare will be employed at the two nitrate plants there will be but 2,000. More than one-half of the workers will be unskilled. The report further points out that these workers will be housed in cheap shacks and that attempts will be made to get Negro unskilled labor.

The Wilson dam, when all 18 units are functioning, will only employ several hundred men.

WRITE AS YOU FIGHT!

THE UNITED FRONT---WHY THE COMMUNISTS ARE FOR IT

Letters Exchanged Between the California District Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party and the State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party—The Differences in Principles Between the Workers (Communist) Party and Socialist Party

EDITORS' NOTE:—The following letter from the State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party of California to the District Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party, in reply to a call to the Socialist Party to join in placing a United Labor Ticket in the field, together with the reply of the

The Reply of the Communists

Chicago, Ill., July 21, 1928.

State Executive Committee,

Socialist Party of California.

Dear Comrades: The District Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party has considered your reply to its letter urging the Socialist Party to join with the Workers (Communist) Party in calling a conference of delegates from trade unions, workers' political parties, cooperatives and workers' fraternal and benefit organizations, to take action on the question of placing a united labor ticket in the field in the state and congressional elections.

We must make clear at the beginning the nature of our proposal to you. We did not propose unity between the Socialist Party and the Workers (Communist) Party. We did not propose that the Socialist Party and the Workers (Communist) Party agree to support a common slate of candidates in the elections. Our proposal was that the Socialist Party and the Workers (Communist) Party join in the calling of a conference of delegates from the trade unions, from the workers' political parties, including the Socialist Party and the Workers (Communist) Party and any other political organizations claiming to fight for the interests of the workers and the farmers and from cooperatives and workers' fraternal and benefit organizations.

The Left Wing or Communist program demanded that the Socialist Party reverse its attitude of friendliness to organized labor and that it attempt to destroy the American Federation of Labor. Such as "independent" candidates as we are willing and tending to smother and obscure the revolutionary results aimed at by the Socialist Party, but we are willing to discuss and negotiate with you on this point.

In the past the Workers (Communist) Party has accused the officers and members of the Socialist Party of being "tools and lackeys of the capitalist class." Your proposal of unity with the Socialist Party would imply that the Workers (Communist) Party is now convinced that such accusations were not well founded. We do not feel, however, that charges of so serious a character can be merely forgotten. They were intended to destroy our organization by undermining its reputation with the working people. We believe you should issue some statement, consonant with your expressed desire now to co-operate with us, which would acknowledge the sincere devotion to labor and the great services rendered by the Socialist Party, its members and its official representatives.

One final point, we are uninformed as to the jurisdiction of District 13 Workers (Communist) Party. We should like assurance first, that it includes all of California; second, that it has authority from your national organization to take the step contemplated; third, that your district organization and your national organization have the requisite authority so that the Executive of the Communist International will not compel repudiation of your action in the midst of the campaign.

We await your agreement to the foregoing.

Respectfully,

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE-SOCIALIST PARTY OF CALIFORNIA.

CAMERON H. KING,
State Chairman.

LENA MORROW LEWIS,
State Secretary.

THE PROLETARIAN REVOLUTION

The greater part of the members of the Socialist Party split away from it in 1919, because the Socialist Party refused to learn the historical lessons taught by the workers' revolution in Russia. The Socialist Party still maintains and propagates the idea that Socialism will be achieved through step by step legislation bringing about municipal ownership and nationalization of industry while the capitalist system continues and while the capitalist class and its state bureaucracy remains in control of the government.

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IMMEDIATE DEMANDS

We have made clear thru discussing the question of the differences in program of the Socialist Party and the Workers (Communist) Party why we are opposed to certain forms of immediate demands. The left wing of the Socialist Party opposed these demands in 1919 and the Workers (Communist) Party opposes them today. The Workers (Communist) Party does not and will not support immediate demands which create the illusion in the minds of the workers that Socialism can be established thru step by step legislation.

The left wing of the Socialist Party in 1919 contended and the Workers (Communist) Party today maintains that this reformism is an illusion imposed upon the workers by false leadership. The Workers (Communist) Party declares that in order to abolish capitalism, and to establish Socialism, the workers must first achieve control of the governmental power as step by step legislation bringing about municipal ownership and nationalization of industry while the capitalist system continues and while the capitalist class and its state bureaucracy remains in control of the government.

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